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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAGUA 1929

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TAGS: PEPR, PN, NU
SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL TREATIES RATIFICATION

REF: MANAGUA 1928 (NOTAL)

1. EMB HAS RECEIVED SEVERAL SIMILAR COMMENTS RE IMPLICATION OF CANAL TREATIES ACTION FROM OPPOSITION POLITICANS. THE REACTION IS EXTREME PLEASURE SIMILAR TO THAT EXPRESSED REFTEL. FOR THESE ANTI-SOMOZA POLITICANS, THE IMPORTANCE OF RATIFICATION IS THAT NOW THE U.S. NO LONGER NEEDS TO CONTINUE SUPPORTING SOMOZA WHICH, ACCORDING TO THEIR THINKING, THE U.S. HAD TO DO TO PROVIDE IT A SECURE BASE FROM WHICH TO LAUNCH OPERATIONS IN DEFENSE OF THE CANAL IN THE CASE OF A NEGATIVE SENATE VOTE.

2. BESIDES ALLOWING U.S. WITHDRAWAL OF SUPPORT FOR SOMOZA, THEY BELIEVE THAT NOW USG FOCUS TOWARD THE HEMISPHERE WILL NATURALLY TURN TO THE PROBLEM OF HOW TO REMOVE THE EMBARRASSMENT OF U.S. RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVER FORTY YEARS OF SOMOZA FAMILY RULE IN NICARAGUA.

3. EMB HAS INSISTED THAT THE ABOVE THINKING IS BASED ON FALSE ASSUMPTIONS AND IS UNREALISTIC.
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